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September 13, 2010

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Chairman Julius Genachowski  
Federal Communications Commission  
445 12th Street, SW  
Washington, DC 20554

Dear Chairman Genachowski:

On behalf of the communities, citizens, businesses, health care providers and education systems of Idaho, we encourage you to expeditiously review and approve the proposed merger of CenturyLink and Qwest. The combination of Qwest with the additional resources and financial strength of CenturyLink will bring even greater benefits to our state.

As you know, our communications infrastructure is vitally important to Idaho. We are convinced that the combined leadership, knowledge and resources of CenturyLink and Qwest will create a stronger company – providing more choices for both residential and business customers, increasing network investment in both urban and rural areas, expanding broadband availability, and delivering new and enhanced products and services that neither company would be able to do on their own.

Already, the U.S. Department of Justice has cleared the merger, and it has been approved by public utility commissions in eight states and the District of Columbia.

Bringing CenturyLink and Qwest together will significantly benefit the citizens of our state and enhance its economy. With the Commission's timely approval, our constituents can begin realizing the benefits that this combined company will provide.

Sincerely,

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October 25, 2010

The Honorable Michael D. Crapo  
United States Senate  
239 Dirksen Senate Office Building  
Washington, D.C. 20510

Dear Senator Crapo:

Thank you for your letter supporting the proposed transfer of control between CenturyLink and Qwest. I value your perspective on the potential benefits of this transaction and I appreciate your interest in this matter.

Many of the issues associated with this transaction – investment in broadband infrastructure, extending broadband to rural areas, and job creation – are among my highest priorities as Chairman. The Commission takes seriously its evaluation of transfer of control applications; and you can be assured that it will consider these issues as part of its careful and deliberate review of this proposed transfer.

Your letter will be included in the record of this proceeding. If I may be of further assistance, please do not hesitate to contact me.

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Julius Genachowski



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The Honorable Walt Minnick  
U.S. House of Representatives  
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